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## OPERA CLUB

The initial meeting of the Four Seasons Opera Club was held last month. We reviewed a relatively rarely performed French opera, *Lakme*, by Leo Delibes. Whereas *Lakme* isn't well known, the "Flower Duet" early in the first act is one of the most widely known music in the entire opera canon. We also touched upon the second act aria known as the "Bell Song."

This month we will explore *Die Zauberflöte (The Magic Flute)* by Mozart. We will continue our review of stunning pieces with the "Queen of the Night" aria. Who sings it best? We will start with Diana Damrau. Bring the name of your favorite performer and we can all share in that delight.

Also, we will explore the possibility of a Saturday field trip to attend a Met Opera in HD performance of Verdi's *La Forza del Destino*.

Join us as we continue this magnificent adventure. ~ *Harvey Toyama, yukito@yukito.net, (951) 524-3765*



Scan to hear the gorgeous "Flower Duet" from *Lakme*

## HANDBELL CHOIR

I have learned a new word: CAMPANOLOGY. Do you know the meaning of this word? The simple answer is: the art of bell-ringing.

Wikipedia says, "Campanology is the scientific and musical study of bells. It encompasses the technology of bells – how they are founded, tuned, and rung – as well as the history, methods, and traditions of bellringing as an art. It is common to collect together a set of tuned bells and treat the whole as one musical instrument."


We had a great Christmas concert/sing-a-long in December. Our next concert is scheduled for June 6. Stay turned for details. Hope you will come and enjoy Campanology. ~ *Kathie Sundstrom, (303) 903-6850, karhtyn.buck@comcast.net*



*Campanologists at the Christmas Concert 2023*




## CLASSICAL MUSIC CLUB

We are classical music lovers with an interest in sharing our love of, knowledge about, and interest in classical music. We meet on the second Thursday of each month at 7 pm in The Lodge Theater. We listen to and watch musical selections on the big screen. Each month we focus on a particular work or several selections of one composer. We also discuss current musical performances in the area. We welcome new members. Contact Steve Benoff at [steve.benoff@verizon.net](mailto:steve.benoff@verizon.net) or (310) 413-4896. ~ *Steve Benoff*



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